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PEPTIDE AS A PROGNOSTIC  
INDICATOR IN ACUTE  
CORONARY SYNDROMES

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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In response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2006 (hereinafter, "the Office Action"), please consider the following remarks.

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